

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph entitled "Cross Reference to Related Applications" as follows:

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This patent application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/227,993 filed August 26, 2002 and entitled "Method and Apparatus for Separating Excavated Material", now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,863,182, which ~~claims priority to~~ is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/503,283 filed February 14, 2000, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,439,393.